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TAGS: OVIP, PFOR, SA, US

SUBJECT: PRINCE FAHD VISIT TO UNITED STATES

REF: JIDDA 2457

1. AS WE BEGIN TO DEVELOP WITH SAG AGENDA FOR FAHD'S VISIT,
IT SEEMS TO US DISCUSSIONS SHOULD INCLUDE FOLLOWING
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1. MIDDLE EAST PEACE.
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SAUDI VIEWS ON OIL PRICE AND SUPPLY ISSUES IN ANTICIPATION
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4. ECONOMIC COOPERATION (DISCUSSIONS COULD INCLUDE BOYCOTT
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2. WE SEE MIDDLE EAST PEACE QUESTION AS FOCAL POINT OF VISIT AND ASSUME PRESIDENT AND FAHD WILL WISH TO DEVOTE A SUBSTANTIAL PORTION OF THEIR CONVERSATIONS TO THIS TOPIC. WE BELIEVE PRESIDENT WILL ALSO WISH TO DISCUSS AT LEAST BRIEFLY WITH FAHD SECURITY ASSISTANCE RELATIONSHIP, ENERGY AND ASPECTS OF ECONOMIC COOPERATION. (FYI: WE ASSUME FAHD WILL EXPECT TO DISCUSS BOYCOTT, PICKING UP EXCHANGE BEGUN WITH SECRETARY DURING LATTER'S FEBRUARY VISIT TO RIYADH. WE ALSO ANTICIPATE OPPORTUNITY FOR INFORMAL DISCUSSION OF BOYCOTT LEGISLATIVE QUESTIONS WITH FINANCE MINISTER ABA AL KHAIL WHEN HE IS HERE FOR JOINT ECONOMIC COMMISSION MEETING HERE ON MAY 3-4. END FYI.) WE ANTICIPATE THAT SECRETARY'S SEPARATE MEETING WITH FAHD WILL COMPLEMENT DISCUSSIONS WITH PRESIDENT BY DEALING IN SOMEWHAT GREATER DETAIL WITH SAME AGENDA ITEMS WHICH THE PRESIDENT AND FAHD MIGHT AGREE TO DISCUSS.

3. WE WOULD ANTICIPATE MEETING BETWEEN THE SECRETARY AND FOREIGN MINISTER PRINCE SAUD. IT WOULD BE HELPFUL TO HAVE YOUR INFORMED VIEW AS TO WHETHER SAG WOULD LIKE CERTAIN TOPICS NOTED ABOVE, FOR INSTANCE REGIONAL POLITICAL TRENDS, TO BE RESERVED FOR THIS MEETING OR
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